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Applicant : Naoki Kimura et al. Art Unit : 1644  
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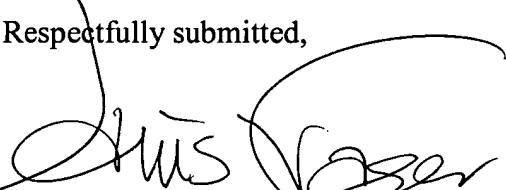
PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated April 6, 2006, be extended for three months to and including October 6, 2006.

Enclosed is a check for \$1020 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 14875-040003.

Respectfully submitted,

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